HONORING MATTHEW PHILIP SHINER

## HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, January 17, 2008

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Matthew Philip Shiner of Platte City, Missouri. Matthew is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 351, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Matthew has been very active with his troop, participating in many Scout activities. Over the many years Matthew has been involved with Scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Matthew Phillip Shiner for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{CONGRATULATING WILBUR C.} \\ \text{HENDERSON} \end{array}$ 

### HON, JOE SESTAK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, January 17, 2008

Mr. SESTAK. Madam Speaker, I rise before you today to honor Wilbur C. Henderson, the founder, chairman, president, and CEO of Henderson Group, Inc and the recipient of Delaware County Chamber of Commerce's Lifetime Achievement Award, 2002.

Mr. Henderson houses commercial, industrial, office, professional, and retail operations in his buildings throughout Delaware County. He pioneered a new vision providing park-like settings to businesses in Chadds Ford, Darby Township, Folcroft, Media, Nether Providence, Sharon Hill, and Tinicum Township.

Moreover, Mr. Henderson defended his country during World War II, including the Battle of the Bulge, as a distinguished member of the 82nd Airborne Division, 508th Parachute Infantry. Currently, this American hero is a retired lieutenant colonel of the U.S. Army Reserve.

If Mr. Henderson's military and business accomplishments were not enough, he is currently active in his community as chairman of the Borough of Folcroft Planning Commission, senior deacon of the Folcroft Union Church. and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Florida Institute of Technology. Likewise, Mr. Henderson was formerly a member of the Board of Trustees of Drexel University, a member of the Delaware County Government Study Commission, a member of the Greater Philadelphia First Corporation, a bank director with Fidelity and Elmwood Federal Savings and Loan Association, and, last but not least. the chairman of the board of the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Henderson was recognized as one of Drexel's most outstanding 100 graduates and received numerous other awards and honors during his 60-year career. Wilbur C. Henderson may have many accomplishments, but he

is not nearly done. This entrepreneur has future plans to expand his programs in Delaware County and Florida.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in honoring Wilbur C. Henderson. He is the living epitome of the American dream. Through his hard work, Mr. Henderson has defined Delaware County's industry for six decades, defended our country during WWII, and exhibited altruism as a volunteer in a myriad of community activities.

HONORING JESS A. LAIRD FOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

### HON. JEB HENSARLING

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, January 17, 2008

Mr. HENSARLING. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize an outstanding citizen, Mr. Jess A. Laird, for being named Citizen of the Year by the Athens Chamber of Commerce.

Jess currently serves as president of First State Bank and as a board member for the Athens Chamber of Commerce. He devotes his time and efforts to not only serving, but also to leading the community through numerous civic organizations. In addition to serving as the former president of the Cain Center board, Rotary Club, Industrial Foundation and the American Heart Association, Jess has worked with the TVCC Foundation, ETMC board of managers, Salvation Army and United Way board.

In addition, Jess still finds time to be involved at First United Methodist Church, by singing with the Praise Team. More importantly, Jess is a devoted husband to Susan and a dedicated father to two sons, Blake and Rex.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the Fifth District of Texas, I am honored to be able to recognize a constituent and good friend of mine, Jess, for being an invaluable leader and for generously offering his talents to improve his community.

HONORING REED WILLIAMS

# HON. SHELLEY MOORE CAPITO

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, January 17, 2008

Mrs. CAPITO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a hometown hero and someone who embodies the true spirit of the Mountain State.

Reed Williams of Moorefield, West Virginia captured the attention of the nation on January 2, 2008 after he was named Defensive MVP for his outstanding performance in the West Virginia University Mountaineers' historic win over the Oklahoma Sooners in the Fiesta Bowl this year.

Reed's talents are not only on the football field, but also in the classroom. He was named by ESPN as a member of the prestigious Academic All-American Football Team and maintains the highest G.P.A. on the Mountaineer football team. Prior to his college career he was the valedictorian of the Moorefield High School Class of 2005.

Reed is currently a junior majoring in finance and plans to pursue postgraduate stud-

ies. He is the son of Robert and Jacqueline Williams of Moorefield, West Virginia.

I look forward to hearing about Reed Williams' future accomplishments both on and off the football field and wish him and his teammates congratulations on their Fiesta Bowl victory. I'm proud to call Reed Williams a fellow West Virginian and a true Mountaineer.

HONORING JOSHUA E. CATTON

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, January 17, 2008

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Joshua E. Catton, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Joshua has been very active with his troop, participating in many Scout activities. Over the many years Joshua has been involved with Scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Joshua E. Catton for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

NIAGARA LOSES ITS JOBS

## HON. STEVE KAGEN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, January 17, 2008

Mr. KAGEN. Madam Speaker, yesterday, Niagara, Wisconsin—a town of 1,900 people—was hit with an economic earthquake when the new corporate owner of the former Stora Enso paper company, Newpage, announced that every single one of the 319 higher-wage papermaking jobs would be eliminated. The mill is closing. Period. It's gone.

The paper company is the primary source of income and the town's tax base. And as Niagara goes, so goes our Nation.

Niagara is paying the price for our Nation's unbalanced and unfair trade policies.

The NAFTA and CAFTA style "fair trade" policies have failed to produce prosperity that professional politicians promised.

These failed trade deals will soon bankrupt hard-working families in Niagara and families all across America.

When will the President realize that no one—not even skilled papermakers—can compete against slave labor in Communist China?

China has targeted every one of our manufacturing industries for extinction. Textiles, steel, paper, automobiles, toys, pots and pans, even our ammunitions; what's next?

We must stop the bleeding of our economy and we must stop it now. We simply cannot afford to lose any more jobs, and we certainly cannot afford to stand by the side of the road and watch the tax base of every city in America disappear.

Instead of exporting our jobs, we must begin to export our values, for without a viable economy, we have no freedom.